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SUBJ: CIVAIR - MILITARY MAIL

1. AT PRESENT MILITARY MAIL OUT OF LONDON DESTINED FOR PARIS AND ROME IS SHIPPED TO NEW YORK FOR ONWARD SHIPMENT BECAUSE PANAM, ONLY U.S. CARRIER WHICH OPERATES DIRECT SERVICE LONDON/PARIS AND LONDON/ROME, HAS REFUSED TO CARRY IT ON BASIS THAT IT LACKS AUTHORITY TO DO SO UNDER US/UK AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT. ACCORDING TO USAF POSTAL AND COURIER SERVICE, ENGLAND DISTRICT (PCS), DEFENSE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TOOK MATTER UP WITH STATE (EB/OA). LATTER SUPPORTED PANAM INTERPRETATION OF AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT BUT SUGGESTED THAT EMBASSY LONDON, ON LOCAL INTEREST BASIS, MIGHT TAKE MATTER UP WITH HMG AND SEEK PERMISSION FOR PANAM TO CARRY MILITARY MAIL LONDON/PARIS AND LONDON/ROME.

2. AT REQUEST OF COMMANDER, PCS (ENGLAND), WE RAISED ISSUE ON INFORMAL BASIS WITH DTI (SANSUM) EXPLAINING THAT US MILITARY MAIL NOT AVAILABLE TO CARRIERS OTHER THAN US AND THAT PRESENT ARRANGEMENT WAS NEEDLESSLY COSTLY TO USG, DELAYED MAIL TRANSMISSION, AND WASTEFUL OF FUEL. SANSUM AGREED TAKE MATTER UP IN DTI BUT HE REPORTED BACK

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ON JANUARY 14 THAT WHILE HE FOUND SOME SYMPATHY FOR OUR

SUGGESTION, HE WOULD HAVE TO HAVE WRITTEN REQUEST
IN ORDER GET DTI GIVE MATTER FULL CONSIDERATION TO
REACH A DECISION.

3. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER DEPARTMENT HAS ANY OBJECTIONS
TO WRITTEN REQUEST FOR PERMISSION FOR US AIRLINE TO
CARRY MILITARY MAIL BETWEEN LONDON/PARIS AND LONDON/ROME.
(WE NOTE SIMILAR PERMISSION MAY BE REQUIRED FROM FRENCH
AUTHORITIES.)

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